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Cited" portion of any patent issuing from this application (M.P.E.P. 1302.12), and that the Examiner initial and return a copy of the form to evidence consideration of the documents.

Dated: February 22, 2004 Respectfully submitted,

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I hereby certify that the foregoing Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement Under Rule 1.56, Form PTO-1449 and a copy of each cited reference to be filed in connection with application Serial No. 10/662,078 of inventor, Reginald Charles Allsopp, filed September 12, 2003, for "BLIND CONTROLLER" are being deposited with the United States Postal Service as First Class Mail in an envelope addressed to: Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 on February 22, 2004.

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